Emergency Rules

Title 15—ELECTED OFFICIALS
Division 30—Secretary of State
Chapter 100—[Secretary of State—] Notary
Commissions

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

15 CSR 30-100.010 Approval, Revocation and [/or] Suspension of Notary Commission. The secretary is amending the chapter to remove the duplicative term, revising the title, and adding a subsection (3).

PURPOSE: This emergency amendment updates the chapter by removing the duplicative term "Secretary of State," adds "Approval" to the title, and adds a new section.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: The secretary of state determined this emergency amendment is necessary to preserve a compelling governmental interest. This emergency amendment is necessary to address changes made by the legislatures, which took effect on August 28, 2020, to electronic notarization. The secretary of state needs this emergency amendment since the Executive Order issued by the governor expired on August 28, 2020. The secretary of state finds there is a compelling governmental interest, which requires this emergency action since due to the pandemic of COVID-19, in person notarization is unable to be performed for wills, powers of attorney, and durable power of attorney in health care decisions. A proposed amendment, which covers the same material, is published in this issue of the Missouri Register. The scope of this emergency amendment is limited to the circumstances creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended in the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The secretary of state believes this emergency amendment is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency amendment was filed August 31, 2020, becomes effective September 15, 2020, and expires March 13, 2021.

(3) An individual who has been convicted of a felony involving dishonesty or moral turpitude, committed in the last five (5) years, will be denied approval to be a commission.

AUTHORITY: sections [486.385.2, RSMo 2016] **486.605** and **486.815.1, RSMo Supp. 2020**. Original rule filed Dec. 16, 1985, effective April 11, 1986. Amended: Filed April 17, 2017, effective Oct. 30, 2017. Emergency amendment filed Aug. 31, 2020, effective Sept. 15, 2020, expires March 13, 2021. A proposed rule and emergency rule covering this same material will be published in the Oct. 1, 2020, issue of the **Missouri Register**.

PUBLIC COST: This emergency amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the time the emergency is effective.

PRIVATE COST: This emergency amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the time the emergency is effective.